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A Wonderful and a dreadful Speech, with a pleasant Prophecy, written for the Good of all Kings and Rulers who hath got Power to uphold *Babylon*; with an Examination of these Locusts that hath come out of the Smoak of the Pit, and hath got Power to hurt Men.

Dedicated to his Royal Highness, The PRINCE of *WALES*, DUKE of *EDINBURGH*. Great Prince, I know little about your Royal Highness. I have seen three crowned Kings, two in *Britain*, and one in *France*; but I never saw your Royal Person. This I believe, That in your Days *Babylon* shall fall. And by this your Royal Highness shall have more Glory than all the Kings that ever ringed in the World before. Ye shall be praised, and I shall praise your Royal Highness.

God bless your Royal Highness, is the Prayer of William Mitchell.



Y Commission now is to write to all Kings and Rulers; it is to them that this new Light is written. I say to you Kings and Rulers, as ye shall answer at the great Day, hearken unto this Speech, and embrace it. *Kiss the Son lest he be angry, and ye perish from the Way.* Now his Wrath is kindled, that I was made to rise in the Middle of the Night to write this. Surely, the Lord God will do nothing; but he re-
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'vealeth his Secret unto his Servants the Prophets.
'He that hath an Ear to hear, let him hear what the
'Spirit saith unto the Churches.'

I hear that the Magistrates and Ministers of *Edinburgh* is going to Law concerning their Stipends: The Ministers would have more than enough. So says the Spirit of them, They are greedy Dogs, which can never have enough.

As you Kings and Rulers will oblige God, you will give them none. Ye have no Command nor Warrant from the Scriptures to give them Money for to preach their Gospel. It is not Christ's Gospel; his Gospel is a free Gospel. So says *Paul*, 'I preach the Gospel of God freely.' Their Gospel is another Gospel than what *Paul* preached, as he makes plain, for that he doubles their Curses; because it is against the Nature of God to give Grace for Money. How can any expect Grace for giving Money for the Offer of it?

I say to all you Kings and Rulers who gives these Hirelings Money for to preach their Gospel, Ye are the Devil's Merchants, and buy and sells with him. So says the Spirit, 'For thy Merchants were the great Men of the Earth; for, by their Sorceries, were all Nations deceived.'

I say again to all Kings and Rulers who gives these Hirelings Money for to preach their Gospel, ye are found to be fighters against God, as he makes plain. 'Be wise now therefore, O ye Kings, be ye instructed, ye Judges of the Earth. The Kings of the Earth set themselves, and the Rulers take Council together against the Lord, and against his Anointed.' This makes it plain, That ye are fighters against God in Christ. 'He that sitteth in the Heavens shall laugh at your Ignorance;' as we read.

God is saying to you, just now, at this present Time. My People hath been lost Sheep; their Shepherds have caused them to go astray. Ye hear that the hired Clergy has the Cause that there are so many goes to Hell. Wo be to you, hired Clergy, ye have taken away the Key of Knowledge; ye will not enter in yourselves, and them that would enter ye hinder. *Babylon shall*

shall shortly fall; and then there shall be glorious Days of the Gospel, when the hired Clergy shall be found out, and taken and cast into the Lake of Fire and Brimston, where the Beast and false Prophets are; and shall be tormented, Day and Night, for ever and ever. I made it plain, in my last Book, That the hired Clergy is that Beast, which none can answer. The Devil, their King, who hath deceived them, shall be cast into that Lake.

And then shall the Desire of all Nations come and dwell upon the Earth; he shall make all Nations desire him; he shall make one Nation to say to another Nation, Come, and let us join ourselves unto the Lord in a perpetual Covenant that shall not be forgotten.

That Day is coming quickly when Satan's Kingdom shall be destroyed, and the Kingdom of Grace advanced. We should pray for the hastning of that Day; but that Day shall not come, until there be a great falling away of the true Gospel; which is now clearly seen in our Days. There shall shortly come great Tribulations on the Earth, as we read in the *Revelations*. The hired Clergy hath gone out to deceive the Nations, which are in the four Quarters of the Earth, *Gog and Magog, Jews and Gentiles*, to gather them to Battle against God; the Number of them is as the Sand of the Sea. When all the hired Clergy and their Hearers are gathered together, they will make a numberless Number. The Devil and the hired Clergy will not part with their long Possession, but by the shedding of much Blood. Fathers shall fight against Sons, and Sons against Fathers, before the Fall of *Babylon*. I have no Time now to explain the *Revelation*; I want Money to print it.

I must examine the hired Clergy; I have asked many Questions of them, in my former Book, which they are not capable to answer. Here I shall ask some more of them; if they be able to answer them, I shall write no more against their wicked Practice.

The first Question to you, hired Clergy, Who is it that God calls Thieves, and Robbers, and greedy Dogs?

They are blind who doth not see it to be you, with a Witness. It is plain, by your Practice. Do ye not steal God's Word, as we read? How dare you speak of his Word in your Pulpits, when ye do not kept his Word? Do ye think that Christ will recommend such as ye are to his Father, as to say they have kept thy Word? Dare ye deny but ye rebel and fight against him? Do ye not know that Obedience is better than Sacrifices? 'But, tho' I should bray you in a Mortar, 'your Foolishness will not depart from you, says *Solomon*. Have ye not turned out of God's Way, as *Samuel's* Sons did, for the Love ye have for filthy Lucre? What is the Difference between you and them? I see none. Dare ye deny but ye are Robbers, as is made plain in this City? Do ye not hear God saying to you, at this present Time, Ye have robbed me? When the Poor is robbed, God is robbed. It is robbed off the Poor in this City, and given to you; and, by your taking of it, ye are as guilty of Robbery as *Ahab* the King was of murdering *Naboth* for his Vineyard: Are ye not greedy Dogs?

A second Question of you, hired Clergy, What is the Difference between you and *Eli* the Priest's Sons? I see none. They rugged the Flesh out of the Pote, by Force, to fill their Bellies. Are ye not guilty of the same, when Sogers are sent through the City to rug down poor Mens Houses to fill your Bellies, and hath taken off the Pot off the Fire, as it hath been done to me? Are ye not greedy Dogs?

A third Question of you, hired Clergy, What is the Difference between you and *Simon Magus* the Witch or Warloch? I see none. He offered Money for the Gift of God; Money was his chief End to gain Money by that Gift: And your Practice makes it plain, That all the Service ye do to God is for Money. What Thanks have ye? Do not Publicans and Sinners do the same? Ye should serve God out of a Principle of Love: But your Practice makes it plain, That ye serve him for Self-ends; If ye then be the Ministers of Christ, let the World judge. The Spirit says to us, Thou

'Thou shalt not suffer a Witch to live.' Neither should we suffer the hired Clergy to live. So says God to us, at this present Time, 'I have a few Things against thee,' because thou sufferest that Woman *Jezebel* to teach and seduce my Servants to commit Fornication with that common Whore of *Babylon*; which is the hired Clergy: They do more Hurt to Men than Witches do. The Witches deceives some, but the hired Clergy deceives all the World. So says the Spirit, 'And all the World wondred after the Beast.' It is plain, that Money is the Root of all Evil. It is that Money that is given to these Hirelings that have given them Power to hurt Men. Are ye not greedy Dogs?

A fourth Question of you hired Clergy, What is the Difference between you and *Judas*, in whom the Devil lodged? I see none. He took up a Profession for Money; he sought to be a Minister for Money; he preached for Money; he carried the Bag for Money; he sold his Master for Money. Dare ye deny, but ye took up that Profession for Money, and sought to be a Minister for Money? Ye preach for Money, and ye hold and keeps your Profession for Money. There is several of these greedy Dogs who pretends to have more Light than the rest, and barks as Dogs at them, and goes to the Field and preaches against them; yet in the mean Time, the Devil hath teathered them fast to their Kirks, to preach his Gospel for Money. They can win no further from the rest, than the Length of their Teather, because the Devil hath chapped their Teather's Stick so deep down, that they cannot win away for to preach Christ's free Gospel. Then, what is the Difference between them and the rest? I see none. The God of this World hath blindfolded all the hired Clergy in the World. Are ye not greedy Dogs?

Ye must know, That the Gospel ye preach for Money, it is not Christ's Gospel, but it is the Devil's, with a Witness; Christ's Gospel is a free Gospel. So, says *Paul*, 'I make the Gospel of God without Charges.' I could ask Hundreds of Questions of them, which they

they cannot answer, but I must let them alone. So says the Spirit, '*Ephraim* is joined to his Idols, let him alone.'

They are worthy of Meat; but that Scripture is not written, that they are worthy of Money. The God of this World hath both blindfolded Kings and Rulers, that God's Word may be fulfilled; 'That seeing they shall see, and not perceive, and hearing they shall hear, and not understand,' as is now made plain. They will give these Hirelings Money for to preach the Devil's Gospel. I say, with Reverence, over God's Belly; if Christ had not come to the World and spoken to them, they would have had some Excuse; but now, you Kings and Rulers, shall have no Cloke for your Sins. You that sees this Speech, it shall witness against you on the Great Day.

Some will think, I speak Treason, for saying, that Kings are the Devil's Merchants, for suffering the hired Clergy to live in their Dominions. What the Spirit reveals to me, I must reveal it to the World, if I should be hanged for it. I am commanded, to let my Light shine before Men. It is long since any Man was hanged for his Religion; I care not altho' I be the first; I being about Seventy Years of Age, and also Poor. I fear they will not hang me, altho' it would be a Honour to me. The hired Clergy says, I am a Fool, and am mad, and hath a Devil; so said they of Christ and of *Paul*. It was not for Religion that Men was hanged Sixty Years ago; it was, because they had none. No religious Man, will rise in Rebellion against his King, be he never so wicked. When *Samuel* told the People the Manner of a King, how he would abuse them, and make Slaves of them, he did not give the People any Command or Warrant to relieve themselves by the strong Hand; he told them, That they should cry out in those Days, because of their King, and pray for him. This is all the Warrant we have from the Word of God to relieve our selves. If they had killed *Manasseh*, that great Murderer, who made the Streets of *Jerusalem* run with innocent Blood, he

he was a Wich or Warloch, and delt with Familiar Spirits; they would have killed a Part of Christ. So, he says, ' That they may be one, even as we are one ;' he was one of the Elect. If the Christians had risen up and killed wicked *Saul*, who is now called *Paul*, they would have done the same. It is our Duty to pray for wicked Kings, and not to rebel against them; as is plain in *David*, he would not kill wicked *Saul* the King, altho' he was his mortal Enemy; it was in his Power. He was a Man according to God's own Heart. This makes it plain, that Men who rebels against their King, are Men according to the Devil's own Heart.

If the King be pleased to take away the hired Clergy's Stipends, we should have Rebellion and Persecution enough. All that will live godly shall suffer Persecution. This makes it plain, that there is little Godliness among us; but the King dare not do it, because they reign over Kings. So says the Spirit, ' And the Women which thou sawest, is that great City which reigneth over the Kings of the Earth.

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I must tell you, Reader, that altho' the King would give me his whole Dominions, I would not have his Throne; I could not sleep; I would be in Fear every Moment for my Life, especially for the hired Clergy; for I would rather see them all hanged, before I would give them an Halfpeny for preaching their Gospel. It is by giving them so much Money, that he lives so peaceably on his Throne; if he would speak roughly to them, as the young Men spake to *Rehoboam*, *Solomon's* Son; they would soon rent his Kingdoms from him, as they did from *Rehoboam*: He gives both the *English* Church and *Scots* Church their Wills, because he dare not do otherwise. I pity his Condition, he hath much need to be prayed for; he hath a heavy Burden. It is a Wonder to me, how he is able to rule over so many wicked Subjects, for I am not able to rule over my own Wife; he must be a wise King; we should be thankful, and pray for him.

Paul commands me, to render unto my Wife due Benevolence, but I am not able to obey him; so I have but little Peace with her. I hear that our King wants

a Queen, if his Majesty be pleased to take her, he shall have her for nothing. I fear she will not take the King, because he is of Age. She swears, That she will not marry an old Man after me. I know that I shall shortly die, and if the King will not take her, he may send her Abroad; he will get a sturdy Soger for her, she is about Twenty Years younger than I am; she cares not for me, and I care as little for her. She is proud, because she is called *Anne Stenart*, after Queen *Anne*.

This is a Caution to all old Men, to the End of the World, never to marry a young Woman, least ye get your Nail through the Rieck, as I do. This is also a Caution to all Kings, least they burden the Nations with Children; get them who will, Kings will be blamed for them, as I am blamed for mine.

The News in *Edinburgh*, There was one of the Ministers in the City lectured on the ii. Chap. of the *Revelation*, the *Sabbath* before I wrote this. This he said in his Pulpit, 'That Woman, named their *Jezabel*, who called herself a Prophetess, to teach and seduce God's Servants, was the wicked People that lived in that Church in those Days.' O such a ridiculous Speech! it should not be suffered; it is both against Scripture, Sense and Reason: A Child of Religion could give a better Interpretation on these Words. This makes it plain, That these Hirelings blindfolds the World, by hindring them to apply the Scriptures to themselves. I made it plain, in my last Book, That *Jezabel* named there, she is named as the Mother of the Devil's Church, or as the Mother of the hired Clergy. Ye hear that the Devil will not suffer Men to apply the Scriptures to themselves, but to other Men. Would these wicked Men be called Prophets? Doth wicked Men teach and seduce God's Servants? Is not that a Lie, with a Witness?

When I read the Scriptures, if I believe God is speaking of other Men, and not to me, I may as well burn the Scriptures, as to read them. The Scriptures was written for the Living, and not for the Dead; they

they would have done as a Commander did we read of; he was going upon a dangerous Attempt to Battle; he pretended to take the Batts or Collick, three Miles from his Army; when he heard that his Army had won the Battle, he comes up to them; this cured him of the Batts; so these six should have taken the Batts the Forenoon, and preached the Afternoon; this would have saved their Honour.

How hath these Locusts a Face to baptize a Child, and commands Men to train up their Child in the Confession of their Faith, but is not my Faith? Say they, in that Book, we, with our Hand lifted up unto the most high God, do swear against our common Enemies, the Arch-bishops, or Bishops. Doth not this make it plain, that these Locusts are mensworn for reading the Bishops Act in their Pulpits? Ye hear, their Faith is the Faith of Devils; he believes and trembles; so doth many of them, when they read this Act in their Pulpits.

A Petition to the Magistrates in *Edinburgh*.

MY Lord and Honours, if ye please, you may give me back my Stipend that is taken from me; all the Reason I know ye have for it, is, because I teach the Clergy. I think ye may give me four Pound a Year, when I cannot see to work; ye may give it me, when you give every one of those Locusts twenty five Hundred Merks by Year; if ye will not give it me for my Good, ye may give it me for my Ill, in case your Names go farther, than your Feet can carry you; remember *Lot's Wife*.

If ye will not hear this Petition, bring up my three small Children, and I shall go and die else where. A Prophet hath no Honour in his own Country.

PROVOST *Wilson* should have paid that Fine, and not me; it is written, That every Man shall die for his own Sins; ye should not have robbed God for the Provost's Sins. I do not believe that it was a Sin, to suffer God's Laws to be put in Execution, by their hanging of *Porteous*. I think all the Bishops in *England*, should be hanged as lawfully as these four Hundred and Fifty of *Baal's* Priests was killed by *Jehu* the King; if they be not hanged, they should be burnt, which is worse;

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worse; says the Spirit to them, Yet thou shalt be brought down to Hell.

READER, if you please, ye will oblige me, and disoblige the Devil, do not lend this Book to any, but cry it up, that they may buy it, that I may get Money to print a new Light, which will make the World admire it. When I go to Men to sell my Light, they say to me, they have seen it already; one goes to a Hundred Hands; this is the Reason that I want Money to print Light; if I had it, I would, through Grace, open Mysteries in *Daniel* and *John's* Revelation, which was never opened since the Creation of the World. The poor Mans Wisdom is despised, because the Scriptures cannot be broken. Ye may say as the Jews said, *How knoweth this Man Letters, having never Learned? If any Man shall do his Will, he shall know of the Doctrine*, as ye read, be what he will, altho' he be but a poor Tincklar as I am.

THE News in *Jedburgh*, Their Locust's Name is *Winchester*, but I call him the Devil's General, because he had so much Power over him, that he made him read this Act in his Pulpit, on their Sacrament Day. It is said, that he liked it so well, that he read it before he spake a Word in his Pulpit, either to God or Man Before such as he had the Kirks, I have seen the Curates, sit down on their Knees in their Pulpits, as soon as they came into it. The World is now altered, this Generation is worse than that Generation was, who lived when Christ was in the World; he got Leave to Preach in their Temple, but if he were now in the World, he would not get Leave to set his Feet in their Pulpits; they will neither enter in themselves to Preach Christ's free Gospel, and them that would, they hinder; they will suffer none, but such as themselves; they are a black Crew, when they put more respect upon the Bishops Act, than they do upon the great GOD's Act. Wo be to such blind Guides, and Wo will be to their Hearers. Says the Spirit to those Locusts, Thou shalt not cast a stumbling Block before the Blind; when the Blind lead the Blind, they shall both fall in the Ditch, which is Hell.

You, their Hearers, mind *Job's* Words, Before ye go whence ye shall not return, even to the Land of Darkness, as Darkness it self, and the Shadow of Death, without any Order, and where the Light is as Darkness. O that GOD would speak and open his Lips against them who goes to hear these Locusts, and show them the Secrets of Wisdom, for he knoweth vain Men; he seeth Wickedness also; Will he not then consider it? Depend upon it, he will consider them who hath read that Act in their Pulpits; he will also consider them who hears them; altho' they that provoke God, are now secure; Doth not the Ear try Words, and the Mouth taste his Meat? If ye be nurished with it? If not withdraw from them: Says the Spirit, withdraw your self from every Brother that walks disorderly. These Locusts hath taken away the Hearts of the Chief of the People of the Earth, and causeth them to wander; they grope in the Dark, without Light; and he maketh them to stagger like a drunken Man; which is made plain in this City, by their going to hear those Locusts.

THE News of the Presbytery of *Dalkeith*, *Plenderleith*, by Name, he read the Lords Spiritual's Act in his Pulpit; it is said, no other in their Presbytery, but him alone, then what sort of a Locust is he, who obeys Spiritual Wickedness, in high Places in Parliament, before he obey God? Is not he the Minister of the Devil with a Witness? He had a good Father; so the By-word holds true, If the Devil cannot catch the Goose, he will catch the Gaislen, as he catched *Rehoboam*, *Solomon's* Son.

THE Application of this Voice, is to you, Reader, not to the Clergy; *Ephraim* is joined to their Idols, let them alone, come with me from *Lebanon*, my Spouse, with nie from *Lebanon*. What do you say to Christ's Call, will ye come out of *Babylon*, yea or not? *Lebanon* is a pleasant Sight, and hath a pleasant Smell, with tall Trees of Sedars; and this hath bewitched the World to remain in her. Christ is now speaking to you with Tears, weeping, as he did over *Jerusalem*, his Words endureth for ever saying, Come out, of her my People, be ye not

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Partakers of her Sins, and receive not of her Plagues; come with me, with me; ye hear how serious Christ is, to have you come with him; he doubles the Words, he fleeches you to come with him; Come with me my Spouse. O Reader, hear him, and come out of *Babylon*, come out from these Locusts, who eat up my People, as they eat Bread, says the Spirit, for they are Men that make not God their Strength, but trusts in the Abundance of their Riches, as we read. O Daughter of *Babylon*, who art to be destroyed, happy shall he be, that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us, by robbing us for your Belly. Ye hear, that he shall be a happy Man, that can put those Locusts from among us. It is only for Money that they do us any Service, as *Simon Magus* would.

COME with me from *Lebanon*, that is, from the Profits and Pleasures of this World; if ye will not come with me; If ye expect to be happy, ye must follow me. If any Man will be my Disciple, he must take up his Cross and follow me. I am the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd giveth his Life for the Sheep: This makes it plain, that these Locusts are evil Shepherds, that choose Sin before suffering.

I close with a dreadful Word, to those Locusts that hath read the Bishops evil Act in their Pulpits; if any Man shall add unto these Things, God shall add unto him the Plagues that are written in this Book. Hath not these Locusts done it, by their reading that evil Act in their Pulpits? They have added to God's Word with a Witness; they liked it so well, some of them made it their Preface in their Pulpits.

THERE are many more of these Locusts that hath read the evil Act in their Pulpits, since the first Month; the Devil adds to his Church daily such as shall be damned; it will be against his Will, if he be any Thing short of Christ, he being so proud.

O that we could Pray for the Downfall of *Babylon*, that the Kingdom of Satan might be destroyed, and the Kingdom of Grace may be hastened and advanced.

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